

Covenant School of Nursing

Disciplinary Action Summary Assignment

Instructional Module 2

Student Name: Jared Smith

Date: 10/10/21

DAS Assignment # ___2___ (1-4)

Name of the defendant: Kathy Jo Cryer

License number of the defendant: 673093

Date action was taken against the license: 03/12/12

Type of action taken against the license: Limited License

Use the space below to describe the events which led to action taken against the license. If multiple charges were in play, be sure and cite them, e.g. drug diversion, HIPAA violation, abandonment, forfeiture on student loans, etc.

The nurse was disciplined for drug misuse after administering an intra-muscular injection of Zyprexa without a physician's order to a patient. The nurse also falsely documented a physician's telephone order for Zyprexa 5 mg IM for the patient. In Response the nurse states she called the physician and received no answer after multiple attempts, the patient had run from their room and punched another patient, and she made the determination to give a PRN medication. The nurse also rationalized that the patient was already on Zyprexa 5 mg PO HS and the fact that his parents had consented to that medication minimized the possibility of any reaction.

Use the space below to provide a description of measures you think could have prevented any action being taken against the license and/or would have prevented harm to the patient, if harm occurred. Consider which universal competencies were violated.

Maybe if there were more nurses would have been available, maybe they could have handled the situation better and not allowed the patient to harm another patient. If the nurse really did contact the physician several times, then if the physician or his office could have answered then she could have gotten an order. The nurse broke the safety and security universal competencies and failed to follow the 7 rights of medication administration by administering a medication without a physician's order and falsely documenting the order.

Use the space below to describe what action you think a prudent nurse would take as the first to person to discover the event described, in other words, you are the one who discovers the patient has been harmed by the nurse or you have discovered the impairment or criminal activity cited in the disciplinary action.

A prudent nurse would be obligated to report the actions of this nurse. Even if the administration of the med could be rationalized by the nurse it is still wrong for the nurse to administer a medication without an order from the physician.